IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE V.RAMKUMAR

WEDNESDAY, THE 4TH APRIL 2007 / 14TH CHAITHRA 1929

Bail Appl..No. 2081 of 2007()

(CRIME NO.224/2007 OF KOLLAM EAST POLICE STATION)

PETITIONER/ACCUSED NO.1

K.RAMABHADRAN, AGED 54 YEARS,
S/O.KUNJUPILLAI, "REKHA",
SANKAR NAGAR, KOLLAM.

BY ADV. SRI.BLAZE K.JOSE

RESPONDENTS: COMPLAINANT

STATE OF KERALA, REP. BY PUBLIC
PROSECUTOR, HIGH COURT OF KERALA,
ERNAKULAM, REPRESENTING SUB INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
KOLLAM EAST POLICE STATION.

BY PUBLIC PROSECUTOR JAI GEORGE

THIS BAIL APPLICATION HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION ON 04/04/2007, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY PASSED THE FOLLOWING:

V. RAMKUMAR, J.

B.A. No. 2081 OF 2007 A

Dated this the 4th day of April, 2007

O R D E R

Petitioner, who is the first accused in Crime No.224/07 of Kollam East Police Station for offences punishable under sections 143, 147, 353 and 332 read with section 149 IPC, seeks anticipatory bail. Petitioner is the President of the Kollam Merchants Association.

2. The case of the prosecution is that on 5.3.2007 while there was a sales tax raid conducted in the premises of the Lakshmi Jewellery at Chinnakada, Kollam about 10 persons led by the petitioner barged into the jewellery shop and deterred the Sales Tax Officer from conducting the raid during the course of which he was obstructed in discharging his duty and was fisted on the nose.

3. Anticipatory bail cannot be granted in a case of this nature. But at the same time, I am inclined to permit the petitioner to surrender before the Investigating Officer for interrogation and then to have his application for regular bail ordered by the Magistrate concerned. Accordingly, the petitioner is directed to surrender before the Investigating Officer either on 9.4.2007 or on

10.4.2007 for the purpose of interrogation. The petitioner shall, thereafter, be produced on the same day before the Magistrate having jurisdiction, who shall release the petitioner on bail on appropriate conditions if an application for regular bail is filed by the petitioner.

This application is disposed of as above.

(V. RAMKUMAR, JUDGE)

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